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January 19, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

12 January 19, 2016


PATRICK O'QUINN
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

APPROVE THE 2014 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Approve the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program budget in the amount of \$954,429.30 for the County of Los Angeles.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Approve the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program budget in the amount of \$954,429.30 to continue crime prevention and control programs in the County of Los Angeles.
2. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or her designee to execute, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles, any contracts or actions necessary to amend, create, or extend any programs necessary to achieve the goals of the Justice Assistance Grant programs.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The City of Los Angeles (City) and County of Los Angeles (County) agreed to allocate \$954,429.30 to the County for the 2013 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). This amount reflects 50% of the eligible joint allocation amount of \$2,120,954 or \$1,060,477 less approximately 10% percent or \$106,047.70 for administrative costs incurred by the City.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support Countywide Strategic Plan Goal 3: Maximize opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leverage resources through the continuous integration of health, community, and public safety services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The 2014 JAG will fund programs for the County's Fiscal Years 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 budgets. JAG does not require a net County cost match.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

JAG was established by the 109th Congress in 2005 to aid states, tribes, and local governments in creating programs that prevent and control crime within their localities. It was created by merging the Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Program and the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program.

All JAG funded programs must submit yearly Performance Metrics reports and quarterly financial reports to the Chief Executive Office for processing and eventual reporting to the Department of Justice. Financial reports require detailed itemized listings of expenditures.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County and the City to jointly accept funds from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the 2014 JAG Program was executed in July 2014. The MOU is required under grant guidelines.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

No impact on current services.

CONCLUSION

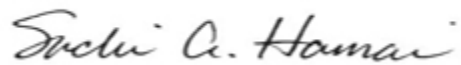
Approval of the recommended actions will enable the continued funding of programs that reduce crime and increase public safety in our communities.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sachi A. Hamai".

SACHI A. HAMAI

Chief Executive Officer

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Enclosures

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
District Attorney
Sheriff
Auditor-Controller
Community and Services
Probation
Public Defender
Public Health

**2014 Justice Assistance Grant Budget Narrative
County of Los Angeles
Crime Reduction and Public Safety Improvement Initiative**

The County of Los Angeles has participated in the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) funded specialized crime reduction and public safety improvement programs since 1996, through the former Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) program. The County plans to continue on a similar path under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) by preserving the programs previously funded under the LLEBG program.

Goals and Objectives:

The overall goal of the County's Crime Reduction and Public Safety Improvement Initiative is to reduce crime and improve public safety. Personal and community safety is recognized as being one of our most basic needs. The County has been working in a cooperative effort with various justice and law enforcement agencies to target street gangs with the use of search warrants, arrests, and the seizure of firearms and weapons. It is most important for perpetrators of violent gang crimes to be identified, arrested, prosecuted, and convicted in accordance with the law. This is done to protect the public from crime that can ruin the local economy, and have a negative impact on the quality of life for all persons.

Public safety is enhanced when offenders are held accountable and redirected from delinquent and criminal behavior. Strategies to positively impact the behavior of probationers and at-risk youth through early intervention, prevention and suppression programs are a key element of Los Angeles County's Crime Reduction and Public Safety Improvement Initiative. The County program will continue to develop and implement specific strategies that target and focus on prosecution programs to suppress organized criminal gang behavior and control the impact of gangs on our community; increased law enforcement presence in the community particularly during large, high profile community events; Sheriff and Probation Department services to heighten and promote public safety on and off school campuses; and ongoing collaboration between the County Probation Department and other law enforcement agencies to prevent and reduce criminal behavior by holding probationers accountable through case management, supervision, and monitoring. Additionally, the County will be enhancing its program by adding a Psychiatric Social Worker to assist attorneys in determining whether clients can be diverted to the Alternate Sentencing Programs, rather than being incarcerated in County jails. The objective of this program enhancement is to reduce unnecessary jail and prison use and potentially aid in managing jail overcrowding.

Law Enforcement Programs:

Patrol Services Overtime - Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD)

Funding will be provided to enhance unincorporated services in SD5 LASD area stations including: Altadena, Santa Clarita, Palmdale, Lancaster, Crescenta Valley, Temple and La Crescenta. Additionally, funding will provide for increased law enforcement presence

countywide particularly during large, high profile community events and activities with large participant turnout as well as holidays.

Prosecution and Court Programs:

Strategies Against Gang Environments (SAGE) Program – District Attorney (DA)

The Sage program abates street gang violence and narcotic related activities by utilizing civil injunctions and other procedures deemed appropriate by local law enforcement authorities. The program provides collaborative efforts among the Los Angeles County District Attorney, Los Angeles County Sheriff and the City of Los Angeles Police Department to suppress gang activities in targeted areas.

The District Attorney's component of SAGE provides focused vertical prosecutions, tracks criminal proceedings of notorious gang members, and contributes expertise and local resources to facilitate the successful arrest and prosecution of gang members who commit serious and/or violent felonies. Assigned Deputy District Attorney Staff assists in the coordination of probation and parole sweeps by providing guidance and training to local officers on legal search and seizure precedents applicable to the target group. The program also works to suppress and abate street gang activity, graffiti, vandalism, narcotic sales and use, and criminal nuisance properties and related problems that lead to the commission of violent and serious gang-related crimes.

Alternative Sentencing Program/Paralegal Services - Public Defender

The Public Defender Alternative Sentencing Program enhances the adjudication process of cases involving violent offenders by utilizing paralegals to assist attorneys in securing information for preparation of the penalty phase in capital cases and alternative sentencing reports in cases where there is significant mitigating information to support alternative sentencing. This program presents the Court with a range of sentencing options which offer punishment, control, and accountability, frequently at less cost than jail or prison. This program can reduce unnecessary jail and prison use with a potential for a positive impact upon the management of overcrowded jail facilities.

Alternative Sentencing Program/Social Worker Services – Alternate Public Defender

The Alternate Public Defender Alternate Sentencing Program enhances the adjudication process of cases involving mentally ill clients by providing in-house Psychiatric Social Workers that are knowledgeable in the area of mental health and substance abuse who can make a quick assessment as to what program, if any, would be suitable for the client. PSW work for the Department of Mental health and are assigned to APD cases. By having a PSW in-house, in addition to putting the client at ease, the County will also avoid issues relating to “mandatory reporting”, as an employee of the APD, the PSW has to honor the Attorney-Client Privilege thus maintaining confidentiality.

Prevention and Education Programs:

School Resource Deputy – Crescenta Valley Station - LASD

This program provides various prevention services targeting at-risk youth on a countywide basis. Funds are made available to support eligible programs of community interest and benefit aimed to reduce crime and improve public safety. Los Angeles County assigns staff from law enforcement departments and/or contracts with community-based organizations to provide various prevention services targeting youth at-risk for gang membership.

Youth Activities League (YAL) – LASD

YAL provides supervised recreational and educational activities and reaches economically and socially disadvantaged boys and girls from the age of 8 to 18. The YAL strengthens the relationship between Sheriff's deputies and volunteers as they work together for the benefit of the at-risk youth.

School-Based Supervision Program – Probation Department

The School-Based Supervision Program increases school attendance, competencies and performance, and provides access to skills and resources needed by parents to effectively parent their children. This multi-phase program involves the placement of Deputy Probation Officers to high schools and middle schools to assess the strengths and needs of at-risk youth in the program. Based on those assessments, case planning exercises will be conducted, and the youth will be entered into one or many intervention treatment programs.

Gang Reduction and Crime Enforcement (GRACE) Program – Toberman Neighborhood Center (Contractor)

The GRACE Project is a collaborative effort between Toberman Neighborhood Center and the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations to bring intervention efforts to the Harbor Gateway community. The GRACE Project is working to reduce inter-ethnic tension that leads to violence; reduce gang violence and prevent retaliation violence; expand older teen and young adult resources at local parks and community service agencies; increase public safety; expand prevention and positive youth development resources, and coordinate county services with the Department of Children and Family Services, Department of Public Social Services, Department of Mental Health for high risk youth and families.

Re-Entry Housing Project – A New Way of Life (Contractor)

Central Los Angeles that seeks to provide housing and support services in the form of education, job-training and skill building opportunities to formerly incarcerated women and their families so as to provide a successful transition back into their community.

We Tip – Crime Reporting Hotline (Contractor)

Funds shall be used to provide an International Anonymous Crime-Reporting Hotlines throughout the entire Los Angeles County area to receive anonymous tips regarding any major crime including violent crimes, property crimes, fraudulent crimes and corporate crimes.

Planning, Evaluation and Technology Improvement

Program Evaluation (Contractor - TBD)

The Program Evaluation will conduct a review and analysis of a minimum of 2 of the County's JAG Programs to determine their overall effectiveness and value in continue with the selected programs. The evaluation will also be looking to identify evidence-based practices as requested by the funding agency.

**2014 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT
COUNTY BUDGET SUMMARY**

PROGRAM	DEPT	AMOUNT
LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS		
Patrol Services Overtime – Sheriff's Department	District 5	\$41,567
PROSECUTION AND COURT PROGRAMS		
S.A.G.E. East Los Angeles - District Attorney	District 1	\$86,000
Alternative Sentencing Program/Paralegal Services - Public Defender	Countywide	238,144
Alternate Sentencing Program/Social Worker Services - Alternate Public Defender	Countywide	108,000
PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS		
School Resource Deputy - Crescenta Valley Station Rosemont – Sheriff's Department	District 5	\$ 25,000
Youth Activities League (YAL) Sheriff's Department	District 5	35,000
School-Based Supervision – Probation Department	District 3	\$111,657
G.R.A.C.E. – Toberman Neighborhood Center (Contractor)	District 4	\$111,657
AB109 Re-Entry Project (SD2) – A New Way of Life (Contractor)	District 2	\$111,657
AB109 Re-Entry Project (SD1) – A New Way of Life (Contractor)	District 1	\$25,657
We Tip – Crime Reporting Hotline (Contractor)	District 5	10,090
PLANNING, EVALUATION & TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT		
Program Evaluation (Contractor)	Countywide	\$50,000
JAG 2014 PROGRAM TOTAL		\$954,429

LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: Patrol Services Overtime – Sheriff’s Department

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Overtime	\$41,567
Personnel Subtotal	\$41,567
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$41,567

PROSECUTION AND COURT PROGRAMS
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: Strategies Against Gang Environments (SAGE) - District Attorney

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Attorneys, Sworn Officers	\$86,000
Personnel Subtotal	\$86,000
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$86,000

PROSECUTION AND COURT PROGRAM
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: Alternative Sentencing Program/Paralegal Services - Public Defender

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Attorneys, Paralegals	\$238,144
Personnel Subtotal	\$238,144
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Other	
Grand Total	\$238,144

PROSECUTION AND COURT PROGRAM
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: Alternative Sentencing Program/Social Worker Services - Alternate Public Defender

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Psychiatric Social Worker	\$108,000
Personnel Subtotal	\$108,000
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Other	
Grand Total	\$108,000

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: School Resource Deputy - Crescenta Valley Station – Sheriff's
Department

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Sworn Officers	\$25,000
Personnel Subtotal	\$25,000
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$25,000

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: Youth Activities League (YAL) – Sheriff's Department

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Sworn Officers	\$35,000
Personnel Subtotal	\$35,000
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$35,000

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: School-Based Supervision Program – Probation Department

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Staff	\$111,657
Personnel Subtotal	\$111,657
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$111,657

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: Gang Reduction and Community Engagement Project (GRACE) Toberman
Neighborhood Center (Contractor)

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Staff	\$0
Personnel Subtotal	\$0
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$111,657
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$111,657

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: AB109 Re-Entry Project (SD2) – A New Way of Life (Contractor)

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Staff	\$0
Personnel Subtotal	\$0
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$111,657
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$111,657

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: AB109 Re-Entry Project (SD1) – A New Way of Life (Contractor)

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Staff	\$0
Personnel Subtotal	\$0
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$25,657
Other	\$
Grand Total	\$25,657

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: We Tip – Crime Reporting Hotline Program (Contractor)

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Staff	\$0
Personnel Subtotal	\$0
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Services and Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$10,090
Other	\$0
Grand Total	\$10,090

PLANNING, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT
BUDGET REQUEST

Program: Program Evaluation

Allocation Category	Allocated Amount
Personnel	
Hiring:	\$0
Other: Staff	\$0
Personnel Subtotal	\$0
Travel	\$0
Equipment/Technology	\$0
Services and Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$50,000
Other:	\$0
Grand Total	\$50,000